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Among preachers of the gospel that have recently been called home to heaven, are

The Great Dead. Hugh Price Hughes among English Wesleyans, Joseph Parker, among Congregationalists, and last but not

least, the noble and eloquent Tichenor among Southern Baptists, while among statesmen the Hon. Thomas R. Reed is no more. Hughes was in his prime, at 56; Parker was 72; Tichenor 77; and Mr. Reed 62. These men were all great, and will leave their imprint upon history's page for good. No three preachers of the gospel in all the world, no three preachers of the gospel could be found who in their day were more highly esteemed than these. No man since Broadus, was more beloved among Southern Baptists than Dr. Tichenor, who was full of years and good works.

"The immortal temperance reformer, Frances Willard, has left a record in her own words of her feelings and actions when she gave her life wholly to Christ. **Frances Willard's Conversion.** She says: 'I cannot describe the deep welling up of joy that gradually possessed me. I was utterly free from care. I was blithe as a bird that is good for nothing except to sing. I did not ask myself, "Is this my duty?" but just intuitively knew what I was called upon to do. The conscious, emotional presence of Christ through the Holy Spirit held me. I ran about upon His errands "just for love." He was a halcyon day. All my friends knew and noticed the change, and I would not like to write down the lovely things some of them said to me; but they did me no harm, for I was shut in with the Lord.'"

"Sydney Smith cut the following from a newspaper, and preserved it: When you rise in the morning, form a resolution to make the day a happy one to a fellow creature. It is easily done; a left-off garment to the man who needs it, a kind word to the sorrowful, an encouraging expression to the striving—trifles in themselves light as air—will do at least for the twenty-four hours. And if you are young, depend upon it, it will tell when you are old; and if you are old, rest assured it will send you gently and happily down the stream of time to eternity. By the most simple arithmetical sum, look at the result. If you send one person, only one, happily through each day, that is three hundred and sixty-five in the course of the year. And supposing you live forty years only after you commence

that course of medicine, you have made 14,600 beings happy, at all events for a time."

We know of men "that are rich in this world," men who have amassed their millions. We are not to condemn riches, if honestly acquired, but to exhort them not to trust "in uncertain riches; but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy," for "eternal life" and a holy living. We are not to reject and lose the eminently rich, but attract and use them, charging them, "that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate."

True riches consist in character whose foundation is Jesus Christ. A Gould may possess these, so may a pauper; and one is as honorable as the other, if each uses what God has given in the furtherance of the Gospel. A faith reposing in Christ and "rich in good works," is a charm of earth and a glory of heaven. A Christian character vigorous in growth and freighted with abundant mature fruit is the glory of Christ. Jno. 15:8.

"Acquit yourselves like men; be strong." I Cor. 16:13. The sense of this passage of Scripture is: Act like men, stand like a stone wall against temptation. This

language may be very appropriately applied, as Christmas draws nigh, to the man who has a weakness for strong drink. Brother, do not dishonor your Lord and disgrace "that worthy name by the which ye are called," in order to gratify a depraved appetite. Set your face and heart against touching a single drop of the liquid fire during the Christmas holidays. Under the present sentiment against liquor, its use by a Christian depreciates his self-respect and beyond all controversy hinders the cause of Christ. If you are thinking about buying a "Christmas jug," suppose instead you buy your wife a nice dress, or some nice things for the children. Then, during the few days succeeding Christmas, instead of feeling yourself the meanest and most trifling man in your community, you will be happy, make your wife and friends happy, and heighten your self-respect one hundred per cent. Now, dear brother, will you not heed our suggestion, save your church and family disgrace and expense and honor your Lord who redeemed you and who this day is interceding with the Father in heaven for you? "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are

sealed unto the day of redemption." Eph. 4:30.

Let every reader turn to the 10th page of this issue and read carefully the call for a meeting of those who will work for State-wide Prohibition of the traffic and use of intoxicating liquors. The purpose set forth in this call is an aggressive one, but it is wisely and conservatively worded. There is a very strong crystallized sentiment in the State for Statutory Prohibition. But we must not longer content ourselves with mere sentiment, however worthy. The hour for action has come. Let every one in the State who loves home, country, and God exert himself unstintingly for the abolition of the gift or sale of all intoxicants for beverage purposes throughout the entire length and breadth of our great State. Let us not longer dissipate our strength in quibbling over methods.

There is a great line of cleavage that runs through the purposes and actions of the citizenship of our State. On one side stand unitedly home, country and God; education, morals, industrial development and religion. On the other side with equal oneness of purpose and effort stand inordinate greed for gain and ease (selfishness), an insatiate appetite for vice and debauchery, ignorance, poverty and anarchy. Thus can be seen even at a distance the opposing forces aligned for deadly conflict. We are persuaded that there exists today in the good old commonwealth of Mississippi a sufficiency of stalwart manhood, ardent patriotism and loyal Christianity to repulse the onrushing foe,—demon Rum. Let every one, preacher, layman, or no member of the church, go to work now, to see that his county or district shall be represented in Jackson on February 17, 1903.

Will not every paper in the State, friendly to home, government and religion, publish the call and otherwise aid in every way possible in solidifying the forces of righteousness? Surely no "preacher of righteousness" will be silent while God's hosts are mobilizing for the clash of the forces of sin and righteousness. Of course, in the swift movement of the forces some good men sitting astride the fence will be swept into the ranks of the league of sin and death, but it is believed there will be enough left with conviction and determination to carry the day for home, country and God. Now is the time for us "women and little preachers" to show our colors by lifting every ounce we can. Little grains of sand make continents.

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The Pauline Idea.

We live in a day of work and worry. Energy is in great demand, and the nervous system taxed to its utmost. The value of a man is estimated by his activity and success. Men of necessity circumscribe themselves by the demand of their calling. The business man is constantly on the alert, the physician hurries from patient to patient, the minister must be moving among his people. Many are too busy to read anything, but the current news and their business communications. We heard a millionaire say a short time ago that he had not read a book in years. This predominant activity is in a measure, highly commendable. There can be no success without industry. It lubricates the wheels of business, it builds granaries, it imparts life to the marts of trade, it fills the pantry, and replenishes the wardrobe. Industry should characterize and does characterize, Christian endeavor. Eternal vigilance, the price of Christian success, must go hand in hand with industry.

In no enterprise fostered by the man of our day, is there a finer display of energy than is to be seen in evangelical effort. Godly men, and consecrated women are tireless in their efforts to save the young, to make churches strong and efficient, to occupy the waste places at home, and to give the saving gospel to the perishing millions in heathen lands. Sometimes the eye is flamed with enthusiasm, and the gaze of unsteady, but the nervous strain knows no abatement.

This is a worthy zeal for a more worthy cause. The world's greatest enterprise is intrusted to the receiving hands of Christian people. Everything besides pales into insignificance compared to the giving of the Christ to a lost world, palatial homes crumble to dust, the fashion of person changes, and fame bids its votary farewell at the confines of time, but the effects of evangelizing pass the bourn of time; and are as durable as the eternal life of the soul. Activity characterized the life of Christ,

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it marked the career of the apostles. When the Savior of men had concluded the last work in his posthumous appearances, and wished to leave a last sentence with his disciples, the first word of that deliverance was "Go." This is the most potent monosyllable in our language. It is full of dynamic energy. It is surcharged with electric power. It is in every singing loom and whirling spindle of the factory, it is the craze of the capitalists, and the necessity to the laborer, it is gridironing the earth, and webbing the air with wires; and more, it is placing the gospel of truth in homes of sorrow, and revealing to lost souls the only hope of salvation.

Activity is a part of the Pauline Idea. It is a hemisphere of the spherical thought that animated the great apostle to the Gentiles. His zeal knew no abatement. Three times it compassed land and sea in his missionary tours. He did not travel in palatial cars, on limited express trains, nor in fine equipages, but went on foot over mountains and across rocky plains, foot sore and weary with a saving message for lost men. This course he pursued until the headman's axe ended his marvelous career.

But Paul had truth to carry to lost men. He did not go with empty hands, with an unloaded tongue, and with a vacant brain. On his way to Damascus, at high noon, in the effulgence of a heavenly visitor, he learned the lesson of his life. He had heard words of wisdom at the feet of Gamaliel, and he had lived up to the teachings of that distinguished doctor of divinity. But a few short sentences from the Man of Galilee had in them the truth with potent energy, *Christ, the Son of God, the Savior of all who believe in Him.*

This was the other hemisphere of the Pauline Idea. It evolved itself into a system in his mind; Christ the hope of the lost world, predetermined by the Father to save all who would believe in him, both Jew and Gentile; the only remedial cleansing of contrite spirits, the master of assemblies. This great truth fevered his brain, and glowed in his heart. It was the thought of his life, the incentive to action. It was this thought that prompted him to cross mountains, to sail over the seas, to endure hunger and thirst in travel, and to carry his wounds with unbroken silence as to his sufferings.

To the youthful Timothy, this great apostle said, "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them." Nothing fired the apostle to the Gentiles quicker than to observe an infringement of his doctrine of the Christ. His soul was breathing with righteous indignation when he wrote, "O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you."

In our day of rush and hurry, of intense activity is there not a probability that many will run as Cush with no message in the mouth? It is not simply the going the Master wants, it is the carrying of a message of truth, the pure Word of God. Doctrine is as essential as intense action in

reclaiming our lost world, it is the burden on the shoulders of the gospel itinerant, which he must carry, or his running is vain. It is the dynamo in the automobile.

The doctrine of the Book is the world's hope, and men are only the messengers of God to carry it to dying souls. Men must know the truth to tell it, and not simply stand panting at the end of the way. The pure Word of God, the untainted doctrine of grace is, emphatically speaking, the only message God sends to the unsaved by his beautiful footed messengers of peace. A messenger swiftly carrying a distinct message; this, the Pauline Idea.

Important.

The work of revising our mailing books has just been completed. We request every subscriber to examine the figures opposite has printed name on the right hand, upper corner of front page; and if there is anything wrong, or if you think so, or if there is anything you do not understand, write us, we will cheerfully give your request prompt attention. We are more concerned than any individual subscriber could be, to have everything precisely right. The figures opposite your name indicate the date to which your subscription is paid. Example: A. H. Horn, Jan. 1, '03 means A. H. Horn's subscription is paid to Jan. 1, 1903. If you do not get a receipt, and your figures are not moved up within two weeks after you make a remittance, drop us a card.

Notes and Comments.

Here it is almost mid-winter and the protracted meetings are still running in our churches, for which the Lord be praised.

No "Christmas jug" ought to find its way into any Christian home this year, nor any other home any other year, as for that.

If an "up-to-date" preacher is one who knows but little and is afraid to tell it, what is an "up-to-date" church from the same view point?

Here are three things worth striving for, which might well be adopted as a motto in all our churches; "Good Meetings rather than great; Converts rather than crowds; Results rather than reports."

There were 6,200 baptisms in the white Baptist churches of Mississippi last year, which is about 2,000 more than the Presbyterians and Methodists combined—infant baptism, and all, included. The figures for this year indicate even greater things.

"Calling of a Pastor" has met with such hearty approval as to exhaust all the extra copies, as many as a dozen copies having been sent in one order to a brother in another State. It is the greatest question that ever comes before a church. If the demand for papers continues it will be reprinted.

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So long as there is meat at the table it is foolish to get down among the dogs and fight for the bones.—Ram's Horn. But there could be no harm resulting from driving the dogs into the yard, and have them wait for the bones, until you get through with the meat. Even the dogs ought not to be permitted to gnaw bones under the table.

J. Campbell Morgan comes out boldly in favor of "women preachers." He brushes what the Scriptures say aside by one stroke of the pen. Hear him: "A great deal of what Paul wrote was made necessary by local conditions, and if you will take his objections in their settings, you will find that this is so." There is nearly always something funny and even suspicious about those who sign their middle name in full. How would it look to see it written, C. "Haddon" Spurgeon; or J. "Andrew" Broadus; or J. "Boardman" Hawthorn?

The North Mississippi Conference went strong for State Prohibition. Senator Alf George, who defeated the State Prohibition bill in the Senate last winter, was there and cavorted in stentorian tones against what "the little insignificant preachers" proposed to do, but in vain.—The Leader (Brookhaven)—Which shows that "the little preachers" are getting in their work, cheered on by tens of thousands of the bravest, best, noblest men that ever espoused any good cause, together with an almost innumerable number of the fairest women of this earth, who carry this question upon their hearts by day and by night, and shall continue to do so, until not one square inch of our soil shall be under the dominion of the accursed stuff.

We now have ready a catalogue and price list of our books, which will be mailed free to any one expecting to buy books, who will write us. In comparing our prices with others, please bear in mind that ours include postage or express, and that these are usually about 20 per cent of the cost of the book. For example: A book that we price \$1.00 will cost the purchaser about as much as one priced by others, at 80 cents. We include the postage because it is much more convenient to the customer. People are disappointed when they send \$1.00 for a book, and upon its arrival have to pay 40 or 50 cents express. We have launched to build up a book business that shall be worthy the support of the Baptists of Mississippi. Write us for what you want.

Foreign Mission Facts Plainly Stated.

BY R. J. WILLINGHAM, Cor. Sec'y.

Most of the State Conventions are over, and it now becomes us to turn our attention more closely for awhile to the great world-wide field. While the brethren have been pressing hard to close the year for the work in the different States out of debt, glorious reports have been coming from

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the foreign field. We have been made to rejoice as we have gone from State to State and seen the advance in the home land, and at the same time have read the letters from the missionaries, and seen the glorious advance in the far distant foreign lands. It will strengthen the hearts of our missionaries, and we trust also incite to new zeal in many at home, when we tell of the cheering words which have come from leading brethren in different States. In Tennessee, two pastors said to the Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board that they hoped this year to raise \$1,000 each for foreign missions in their churches. Other brethren said they hoped to double what they had been doing. In Arkansas, one pastor said that he hoped to raise \$1,000, and another \$500, another to double or treble what had been given heretofore. In Texas, among many kind, helpful words, one pastor said that he hoped to see his church give \$2,000 this year.

The receipts up to date (December 2nd), while not as large as we would be glad to see, yet show some advance on former years. We give them below:

RECEIVED AT RICHMOND FROM MAY 1ST TO DECEMBER 2ND, 1903.

Georgia.....	\$10,863 29
Virginia.....	9,852 87
South Carolina.....	6,419 55
Kentucky.....	6,346 08
Alabama.....	6,153 18
North Carolina.....	5,307 21
Texas.....	4,742 02
Mississippi.....	2,901 65
Tennessee.....	2,620 43
Missouri.....	2,325 65
Maryland.....	1,744 42
Louisiana.....	1,498 00
Arkansas.....	516 37
District of Columbia.....	199 93
Florida.....	146 17
Indian Territory.....	109 56
Oklahoma.....	94 00
Other sources.....	2,936 10

Grand Total.....\$64,776 48

At the Southern Baptist Convention in Asheville the delegates from four States—Texas, Kentucky, Georgia and Virginia—stood up and said that they would try to raise \$100,000 in their States this year, that is, \$25,000 in each State. A prominent brother from Georgia has written in the last few days, and says that he "thinks Georgia will send over \$25,000 this year." The brethren in Virginia have their hearts set on raising \$30,000, and from the way a number of churches have increased their gifts, we hope to receive fully that amount.

We are glad to see that a number of churches in the Convention have determined to raise at least \$500, enough to pay the salary of one missionary on the foreign field. Quite a number of pastors have set \$1,000 as the amount for which they will work this year. For a number of years one church in Baltimore gave about \$2,500. Then a church in Louisville, Ky., came up by her side, and then a church in Macon, Ga. It looks as if several churches will go beyond the \$2,500 mark this year, and we certainly hope that

some consecrated, noble church will raise the mark of liberal giving in Christ's service to at least \$3,000. Oh, that our people who are giving so many tens and hundreds of thousands for other objects might stand at the foot of Christ on Calvary, and look out with Him over millions dying without knowing of His love, and then take part in sending the glad news of salvation to these poor, perishing souls! The time has come when God has thrown wide open the doors to the nations, has called our sons and daughters to go, and has put the means in our hands with which to send them. Shall we turn away from the blessed opportunities and privileges which are given to us?

TRACTS, JOURNALS, ETC.

The Foreign Board thinks it wise to give out information to the brethren in reference to the foreign mission work. Oftentimes a little tract, or a copy of the Foreign Mission Journal, is like a grain of corn, which, deposited in fertile soil, will bring forth abundant harvest. Any pastor or church can get a good supply of tracts, sample journals, or reports of the Foreign Mission Board, by simply addressing a postal card to the Corresponding Secretary, who will be glad to send them by return mail. Our people will give, if they are informed. They love the Lord. Let them know of His work, and they will contribute to it.

We also have on hand a supply of foreign mission collection envelopes, which we will send, free, to any church which wishes them. While every church ought to have a system of collecting for the Lord's work, no system ought to leave out trying to get a gift from every member. The envelopes are so prepared that each member contributing can give his or her name.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING.

The Woman's Missionary Union has for a number of years been contributing at Christmas time offerings for the work in China. These consecrated women have in this way raised large amounts to help give the millions in China the Gospel of Christ. This Christmas they want to raise more than ever before. We trust that the pastors will encourage the Godly women in this work, and we hope that all the sisters, whether members of societies or not, will feel it a privilege to make an offering to Christ for His work. Let each sister think of the blessings of the past year, and then make a thank offering to God for what He has done for her.

While Godly women are making their gifts, it would be a good idea also for the brethren to close the year by making thank offerings to God. As you "try to close the year with all accounts settled," why should you leave the foreign mission account with an indebtedness of \$40,000, while young men and women are begging to be sent to tell of your Christ to dying men.

JOURNAL LIST.

The number of subscribers for the Foreign Mission Journal has greatly increased in the past few years. We now publish

about 22,000 copies every month. The Journal pays all its expenses. If, at the close of the year any money remains, over and above the expenses, it is turned into the foreign mission treasury. Not a person makes a cent out of it, but inasmuch as it is published at the low price of thirty-five cents, or in clubs at twenty-five cents, it can be readily seen that not much money can be made on it. The reason it is published so low, is to give the information to our people just about at cost.

We wish to get ten thousand new subscribers in the next two months, and we earnestly ask every pastor either to take subscriptions in his church, or to appoint some active, conscientious worker, who will take subscriptions and send them on promptly. If any one will send us ten subscriptions and \$2.50, we will send that excellent book, "Crises of Missions," free; or, for twenty subscriptions and \$5 in cash, we will send "The Story of Yates the Missionary," as a premium.

CLOSING THE YEAR.

From the accounts which have come from the foreign field, we believe this is one of the most glorious years which we have ever had in the work. We should return heartfelt thanks to God for His blessings upon us, upon our workers and upon His work. Let us praise Him that He has kept those at the front from pestilence, which has been around about many of them, that He has so abundantly blessed them in the world. Surely God has been good to His people! With grateful hearts let us wait before Him, and with deeper love and renewed consecration let us press forward in His service.

Erroneous Report Concerning Our Board and Laurel Baptist Church.

The writer has been informed that some Gospel Mission brethren in this section of the country have circulated a report to the effect that our State Mission Board is supplementing the salary of the pastor of Laurel Church; that said report is working an injury to our State Mission cause in the country where the report has been circulated. At the suggestion of several brethren, I will write a correction.

I am sure that those Gospel Mission brethren believe the said report to be true, for they are noble, honorable brethren, and would not, knowingly, circulate an erroneous report to the injury of anybody or anything, and will, I am sure, make the needed correction when put in the possession of the facts. The facts are these:

When Laurel Church was weak every way and dispirited and being situated, too, in a growing city with all that that means, our Board supplemented the salary of the pastor for a while, but after the great meeting there more than a year ago, which was conducted by Bro. McComb, in which one hundred and seventy-four were added to the church, the church now being strong, called a pastor for all his time, located him among them at a salary of twelve hundred dollars per year, which the church has promptly paid as it has fallen due.

So far from receiving a supplement from our Board the church contributed \$118.75 to State missions the present year, and has proposed to pay \$200.00 per year toward the support of a missionary for the Cotton Mill and adjacent districts of the city, which contain perhaps twelve hundred people.

A little more than a year ago and when the church received help from our Board its membership numbered one hundred and ten. It now numbers about three hundred and seventy-five. It has built a splendid house of worship at a cost (including seating, etc.) of \$4,000.00. It is well located and is a credit to our denomination in that city. The church reported to our Association at its last session as having contributed to all purposes during the associational year including the house of worship the sum of \$5,858.00.

Where can be found in the history of Baptist work in our country a more wonderful growth, a more rapid development in so short a time. A weak, dispirited, struggling church, and for some time without a house of worship, and meeting here and there wherever it could find shelter, and paying its pastor \$250.00 for half time, the Board supplementing with \$250.00 and thus holding the fort, congregations small, the outlook gloomy. Behold, and what do we see today? Within fifteen months we see a church with three hundred and seventy-five members and worshipping in a beautiful building which is lighted with electricity and having a baptistry, and costing \$4,000.00, and not a dollar of debt on it. We see a pastor located among them for all his time at a salary of twelve hundred dollars and receiving his salary monthly and promptly. We see him furnished with horse and buggy with which to do his arduous pastoral work. We see that the church has contributed \$658.00 for miscellaneous purposes and proposes to contribute \$200.00 a year toward the support of a missionary for Laurel mission field.

The pastor of the church is Rev. J. L. Low, who is one of the purest and noblest of men, a fine preacher and industrious worker, and beloved of his people. His wife is one of the most intelligent and devoted of Christian women and reminds one of those noble women of whom we read in the Gospel. The church has a number of devout brethren and sisters who work the works of God and give liberally and cheerfully of their time and energies and means for the glory of God and for the furtherance of His cause in the earth, and from time to time presenting their beloved pastor and family with tangible tokens of their love for and appreciation of them. They have a good Sunday School, a Ladies' Aid Society and a B. Y. P. U.

In conclusion—When we meditate upon the history of Laurel Church and think of her low estate, her struggles, her environments, her poverty, her troubles and her gloom and then think on her deliverance and present standing and prosperity we feel somewhat like ancient Israel did when liberated from captivity: "When the Lord

turned again the captivity of Zion we were like them that dream. Then was our wrath filled with laughter and our tongue with singing; then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them. The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Psalm 126.

And now that this church has been launched of God upon the broad sea of responsibility and of usefulness, may she ever have His guiding hand, His protecting hand, "working in her that which is well pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ to whom be glory forever and ever." Amen.

O. D. BOWEN.

Ellisville, Miss., November 12th, 1902.

An Erudite Pioneer Baptist Preacher.

Mississippi Baptists have always had among them some men of great learning and much culture. Many of the ministers, who were active in the early establishment of Baptist churches in the State, were college bred. Soon after leaving college, animated by a missionary zeal, came south, or west, to aid in occupying the destitution in the sparsely settled country. Eminent among these were J. G. Hall, William Minter, Michael Ross, and the subject of this sketch.

Dr. David Cooper came as a missionary to Mississippi Territory in 1802, just one hundred years ago. As to when and where he was born, history is silent. He is to our history as Elijah is related to the sacred history; he came before the early Baptists of Mississippi in mature manhood and well equipped for valuable service. One writer says, he was a Baptist from early life, the contemporary of Andrew Broaddus and Jesse Mercer, that he had preached in Virginia, Georgia, Tennessee, and Kentucky, before he came to Mississippi. He was in all probability a Virginian.

There is something interesting connected with the date of his arrival in our State. His coming was preceded by the arrival of Gov. C. C. Claiborne by only a few months, who came under the appointment of President Thomas Jefferson to become Territorial Governor of Mississippi. It was in 1802 that Gov. George Poindexter came to Mississippi. The point of interest is that Gov. Poindexter was the son of a Baptist minister and that about a score of years later, Dr. David Cooper married the widow of Gov. C. C. Claiborne. Poindexter and Claiborne were both Virginians.

By the marriage of Dr. Cooper to the widow of Gov. Claiborne, he became, by matrimonial succession, connected with a man who had been Clerk of the House of Representatives of Virginia, one of the framers of the constitution of the State of Tennessee, one of the three judges of the Superior Court of that State, "Governor of Mississippi Territory, exercising the powers of Governor-General and Intendant of the province of Louisiana," and afterward twice governor of Louisiana.

Dr. Cooper, by his marriage to Mrs. Claiborne, also became the step-father of John F. H. Claiborne, now known as the

voluminous writer of the History of Mississippi. Dr. Cooper's only son was Gen. Douglass H. Cooper, who resided near Woodville in 1850.

Dr. Cooper's church connections, while in our State, were with the Old Salem Church on Cole's Creek, and with the Shiloh Church in Wilkinson county, which was on the head waters of Thompson's Creek. In 1808, and for some years afterward, he represented the Old Salem Church in the Mississippi Association. For a while he was in that body as a delegate from the Shiloh Church, and finally from Old Salem Church. He was moderator of the Mississippi Association ten times, in 1808, 1809, 1810, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1822, and the two following years.

Dr. A. R. Kilpatrick, writing of Dr. Cooper, more than a half century ago, said, "He was a pious, zealous, learned man." He was a minister and a physician. He was noted for analytical thought and for clearness of conception. He was laborious in his productions, and studious in his habits. J. F. H. Claiborne speaks of one of his articles as, "prepared after much reflection and research."

During his connection with the Mississippi Association, he wrote three of the pastoral letters that are printed in their minutes. These writings are mature and intellectual in style, and grave in diction. They show that they were written after much thought, and reflect a fine Christian spirit.

Before the division of the old Mississippi Association into three associations, Dr. Cooper was showing much interest in Ministerial Education. It was mainly by his influence that the first systematic effort was made by Mississippi Baptists in Ministerial Education, so early as 1818. He was President of the Educational Society. His written expressions on that subject, found in the minutes of that old association, are masterful, and reflect great credit upon his genius and grace.

When Alexander Campbell first began to impress himself as a shrewd debater, Dr. Cooper was much interested in him. He took Campbell's monthly pamphlet, and watched him with keen interest. In 1826, two ministers came to the State from Kentucky, Jacob Creath, Sr. and Jr., and made their home with Dr. Cooper. He was much interested in what the Creaths told him of what they knew personally of the debates of that great polemic. This admiration for Alexander Campbell led some to believe that Dr. Cooper, in his last years, was inclined to adhere to some of Mr. Campbell's views.

To correct this false impression, his step-son, John F. H. Claiborne, put a communication to Mississippi Baptists in the South-Western Baptist Chronicle, of New Orleans, in May, 1850. We give a full extract from the communication, from the pen of one whom we have learned to impose trust as Mississippi's true historian. Speaking of Dr. Cooper after the date of the coming of the Creaths to his home, Mr. Claiborne says, "They (the Creaths)

had heard Mr. Campbell in Kentucky, not as a Baptist against Baptists—not in his assaults against the old established faith of the church—but in controversy with the champions of other denominations; and they spoke of his resources, his dexterity, his extraordinary debating power, and his triumphs, with enthusiasm, and Dr. Cooper shared it with them. At that period, Mr. Campbell had not taken position of opposition to the ancient doctrines, which he afterward assumed, and no schism in the church existed! (Campbell ceased to be a member of a Baptist church in 1827). Subsequently, as Mr. Campbell gradually and cautiously began to develop his creed, Dr. Cooper took exceptions to it. I have often heard him do so in conversation with ministers at his house, and it was his habit to read Mr. Campbell's papers to me, and to point out what he conceived to be erroneous."

Dr. David Cooper died March 22, 1830, near the village of Washington, in Adams county. It is said of him, that in life, he was "firm and inflexible, without the slightest infusion of bigotry; modest and forbearing, yet faithful as an apostle and courageous as a martyr." He was calm, rational, and resigned in his death. He quietly bade farewell to his friends, family, and servants, and said, "I die a Christian and a Baptist, firm in the faith I have always preached." How old he was, we do not know. Some one said, he died in a "green old age."

Z. T. LEAVELL.

A New Church.

A new Baptist Church of Christ was constituted in Washington Co., Ala., near Aguila P. O., with twenty-four members on Nov. 9, 1902. On the same day two deacons were ordained. Elder W. E. Fail, of Chicora, Miss., was elected pastor, and their new house of worship was dedicated—Elder J. B. Hamberlin, of Healing Springs, preaching the sermon, Elder J. L. Causey leading the prayer.

This church was gathered together by the previous labors of the pastor and it starts out in a good neighborhood with fair prospects.

W. E. FAIL.

More News of Late—Items.

Your printers made me say that there were "sixteen" baptized in our recent meeting at Pachuta, when I really said, or meant to say, "six." Anyway that is the correct number. I would not be surprised however if in the great and final rally we should find that even more than sixteen will show up as the fruits of the excellent gospel preaching done on the occasion of that good meeting!

But that was a fine meeting we had at Shubuta also. Bro. E. B. Miller of West Point, was with us there, and for twelve days the siege went on. Shubuta for some reason has been considered a "hard place." There had not been much of a revival there for a long time. It had not been for the lack of good and strong preaching I am

sure, but for some reason the Lord had not seen fit to give us a "refreshing from his presence" especially in the way of a general "ingathering." This time however it was different, for He opened the windows of heaven right over Shubuta and the showers came; even torrents of blessings!

Bro. Miller's preaching was strikingly to the point; clear and convincing. The people came in great crowds and seemed not to tire even when the services were a little more protracted. We have no doubt that in addition to the "ingathering," with which the Lord favored us that there was much "bread cast upon the waters to be gathered up after many days." The immediate material results were twenty-two accessions to the church, seventeen of whom were baptized. These ranged from eleven years old to sixty or more; while the five by letter were the "salt of the earth" among whom were Brother and Sister Norris, who enjoy the love and good will of the entire community and will be of great value to the church. Bro. Norris has a long and full record of good work done in the ministry and Sister Norris as being a "helpmeet" worthy of her good husband and an excellent and efficient church worker.

We count that the church has now taken on a large measure of new life and with the divine help we confidently hope to do more and better work for the Lord. There is still large and valuable material about Shubuta to be wrought into the spiritual temple which at no distant day we hope to see effected. Recently one of our best young men, Mr. Earl Nettles had the misfortune to receive some very severe and dangerous cuts from an accident in our Bro. Gid Brown's new automatic cotton gin. It was a marvel that he escaped without the loss of limb if not his life. He was crushed down by the falling of the heavy top upon seventy saws as they flew round at the lightning speed and was literally cut to pieces—arm, neck and breast were little more than a mass of threads. But God is great and good and the dear good patient Christian father and mother have their worthy and noble son given back to them safe and sound as from the grave. Shubuta now well nigh out-ranks all other churches in these parts, not only per capita contributions but the number also of valuable accessions. Enterprise only being ahead in the latter count. "The Lord is good and his mercy endureth forever."

In love your brother,

J. A. HACKETT.

[The above good account of the Shubuta meeting should have appeared three weeks ago, but was overlooked in this office among other matter. We beg pardon of the Shubuta church, and Bros. Hackett and Miller. The fault was ours. Also Bro. Miller spoke in terms of high appreciation of Dr. Hackett, Bro. Patton and daughters. Bro. Miller has now gone into winter quarters for a rest and renewal of strength for another campaign among the churches next year.—Ed.]

Letter From China.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY:

I want to give you some account of our recent trip to Ying-tak. This is the place where our Hak-kai missionaries have moved to. Oct. 6th, Mrs. Simmons and myself with Bro. and Mrs. Saunders and Dr. and Mrs. Hayes started in a boat from Canton for Ying-tak, about 150 miles north of Canton on the North river. With six of us in the boat with the furniture and supplies of the two families, we found it quite crowded. But we managed to make ourselves fairly comfortable for traveling in China. It took us nine days and a half to make the trip, traveling eight days and a half and resting on Sunday. We were well supplied with reading matter and enjoyed social and religious intercourse. And got to know each other better than we had known before.

The second night we stopped at Sai-nam and all of us went to the chapel, where the pastor and I preached to a crowded chapel. Every day while our nine boat-men tugged some on the bank at the end of a tow-line, while others on the boat pushed with bamboo-poles, we enjoyed many a long walk by the river side, through the bamboo groves. We would take some tracts and sell them to the people by the way.

The whole country is resting under the shadow of a great drought. The second crop of rice is a failure except a few spots where it can be watered from mountain streams. Along the river they are trying to keep the sugar cane alive by means of pumps. The pumps are run by men, women and buffaloes. The pumps used are of the chain pump style, only these are made of wood and fit in in horizontal wooden boxes. Many of these pumps are kept going day and night. There is much suffering just ahead for the poor people. The price of rice and food generally is high and going up all the time.

The beautiful mountain scenery was enjoyed by us all. Yet we were all glad to get to Ying-tak on Wednesday night Oct. 15th.

Thursday morning we moved everything up to the house which was in readiness. Wife and I stayed four days helping to get things in order. The part of the house which our missionaries occupy consists of four small rooms, about 12 by 14 feet, two on either side of a large hall or reception room. They are closed by sliding doors, as a door on hinges would take too much room. The large room fronts to the east and is closed by folding doors that reach about two-thirds of the way to the roof. The small rooms have no windows and are lighted two of them by two small pains of glass in the roof. The other two rooms are lighted with a sliding window of glass in the roof. When these are pulled back, by means of a rope, the air as well as light is admitted. The whole house is completely shut in and one can see nothing from the narrow open court but the heavens above. There is no house in Ying-tak better than this for our missionaries. For four months in the year it will be hazardous to the health of our people to try to

live here.

An Imperial post office has just been opened at Ying-tak. Letters addressed to our missionaries: Ying-tak, China; (via Canton) will go direct to them. While there we made arrangements with a business house to have their checks cashed, without any cost of exchange. This will be very convenient, as one of the inconveniences of living in the country is to get money from the open ports. The people of Ying-tak were specially cordial and friendly. I did not hear one word that indicated bad feeling towards us. Dr. and Mrs. Hayes both had calls for medicine and several patients every day while we were there. They will need to rent a house that can be used for hospital and dispensary as soon as possible. And we want to secure a chapel in connection with this medical work. From inquiry we found that from seven to eight tenths of the people are Hak-kas or speak that dialect.

There are from twenty to thirty thousand people in Ying-tak. And there are numerous large villages near by and all the people in these are Hak-kas. This is the trade centre for the Yung-une and Cheung-ning districts, where nearly all of our members live. We can reach our first stations in one day's travel from Ying-tak. And in returning we can reach Ying-tak from almost any part of our work in two days by water. Going up the river by boat is very tedious owing to the great number of rapids. It will not be but two to five years till the Canton and Hankow railroad is completed. This will go by Ying-tak.

We all walked out every day while there and agreed upon a beautiful site for a mission compound, which is just above the city. It is now planted in sugar cane. Of course we have said nothing to the owners about buying this, but I have no doubt that we can get it if we do not wait too long. It is within five minutes walk to any part of the city.

Bro. Williams and his bride start up there on next Monday. We all like Mrs. Williams, very much and think she will make a good help-meet for Bro. W. and make a good missionary. Pray for these new missionaries and this new work.

With love, I am,

Yours fraternally,

E. Z. SIMMONS.

P. S.—The Wesleyan Missions have a rented chapel at Ying-tak, and about 25 members. They have been kind and helpful to us.

October 28th, 1902.

Resignation.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISS.,

Nov. 15, 1902

To the Crystal Springs Baptist Church:

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS—Almost four years ago you called me to be your pastor. I was led to accept that call and entered upon the work here, May first, 1899. Since that time I have enjoyed the privilege of being pastor of a united and earnest people. The time has come when I am impressed to resign the pastorate of

your church, to take effect Dec. 31, of this year. In doing so, I desire to say that you have been true to me in every respect. You have followed wheresoever I have led. Your conduct toward me and my family has always been kind, respectful, and considerate. In addition to being prompt in paying the salary promised, you have constantly remembered us with substantial tokens of love and friendship. These are so numerous that I cannot mention them all, nor enumerate the kind gifts in detail.

To every cause that I have presented for your consideration, you have responded so nobly, that our church stands second only in the state on the subject of missions. (The First Church of Meridian stands first.)

My wife and I have learned to love you, and in leaving you we carry with us only love for you all. Indeed, we would have been willing to have spent the rest of our lives with you, had it seemed to have been the best thing for the cause. But we feel impressed otherwise, hence this resignation. Another field has opened to which we feel inclined to go. But in going we do not hope to better our condition. Your support, both temporal and moral, is all we could have asked for. Indeed, it was more than was promised, and more than we expected.

In leaving you, we beg to assure you that it is not from any lack of support on your part, or any mistreatment received from your hands.

We may not have been all to you that you expected. We may have failed in many respects to do what you felt was our duty. We know not what you feel about this, but we beg to assure you we always acted from the purest motives, and wherein we erred, it was of the head, and not of the heart. Therefore, we beg you to forget as soon as possible, our imperfections and faults, and remember only our virtues.

Remember that we will always look back with fond remembrance to our sojourn with you. And when the battle of life shall have been fought and we shall reach the shining shores of eternity, we will expect to be greeted fondly and joyfully, by friends and loved ones, but by none more cordially than by those from dear old Crystal Springs.

May God's blessing ever be upon you, and may the faithfulness you have manifested since we have been with you, characterize you to the end.

Sincerely and devotedly your pastor,

W. A. McCOMB.

Reply.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISS.,

Nov. 22, 1902.

To Our Pastor:

We, the Baptist Church of Crystal Springs, in accepting your resignation as our pastor, believe that you have offered it because you feel that the Lord is calling you to another field, in which you can do great things for Him; not that the work here is complete, but that in another field you may do greater things for the Lord. His we are and Him should we obey. No matter how dear our situation may seem

to us, we must follow His call.

We have looked upon you as a man who desired, deserved, and won the admiration and love of one and all. You desired this admiration and love because of your tender heart and eagerness to see the cause of our Lord prosper in your hands. You proved yourself meritorious, because you have been faithful to every duty that has been placed upon you. You have buried our dead with tender hands and sympathetic heart, visited our sick and aged with care and devotion, united in marriage our young with faithfulness and diligence, and emphasized the duties of both Christians and sinners with the earnestness of a God-fearing leader. We have responded willingly and enthusiastically to every call that you have made upon us.

The uniform attendance of our own, and large attendance of members of other churches, prove the estimate in which you are held by one and all.

As a faithful and devoted pastor, we reluctantly give up you and your family. "But we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose."

In giving you up, we ask a remembrance in your prayers, and assure you that our prayers will follow you.

May your life be one of great usefulness, and when life's race is run, may you find awaiting you in the world beyond, a crown bedecked with many bright jewels.

W. H. BARRON,

I. T. RISER,

MISS FLORENCE TILLMAN.

Dr. Jones at Blue Mountain.

That splendid old veteran of the Confederate Army and of the Gospel Ministry, Dr. J. Wm. Jones has recently paid Blue Mountain College a visit, and gave us two great lectures and three strong, but simple gospel sermons.

On Saturday forenoon he gave us his splendid lecture, "The Boys in Gray" and at night, "Robert E. Lee, The model man."

The former lecture puts before us the confederate soldier as he was; not a traitor fighting against his country, but a patriot enduring hardships and facing danger and calumny in support of the old constitution, and of the very basal principles on which our government was founded,—not the mercenary fighting simply against the loss of slave property, but a citizen fighting to protect his home and his state against invading armies.

The latter lecture deals with the personal character of Robert E. Lee and shows how in him were harmoniously blended the characteristics of a great warrior with those of a consecrated and courtly gentleman; a warm and sympathetic friend, a loving husband and father and a patriotic citizen.

I wish that all the young people in Mississippi could have heard these lectures, and I hope arrangements may be made for Dr. Jones to deliver them in many of our towns. He is lecturing in the interest of the Confederate Memorial Fund and every

town in the State ought to be willing to contribute to that fund. For my part too, I am willing to distribute something for the dissemination of the truth, as Dr. Jones knows it, about the men and the principles of the confederacy. I have no bitterness in my heart with reference to the issues of the "late unpleasantness;" I take myself to be a fairly loyal citizen of the United States; I am not in favor of agitating dead questions and irritating old wounds; but I am one of those who believe that a question is never really settled till it is settled on the truth, and I want the sons and grand-sons of confederate veterans to know the truth about our fathers and the principles for which they are fought. I believe too, that from the days of Adam down to this good day, history does not record the deeds of another army of heroes like "The Boys in Gray." They put up the best fight the world ever saw, and left a record of valor, suffering and fidelity to duty to challenge the admiration of the ages; and I want my boys to know it. "If that be treason, make the most of it." Bill Arp has well said of Dr. Jones, "He is a grand old man without fear and without approach, and has done more to preserve our record than any other living man."

As said before, Dr. Jones' sermons to us on Sunday morning, afternoon and night were all strong. At night he preached from the text "There is no other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." I do not think I ever heard a more masterful discussion of the plan of salvation, or a stronger appeal to sinners to accept. And the spirit seemed to accompany the Word. A large number came forward to express interest in the question of their salvation and at the close of the service some testified that they had put their trust in "The Only Name." The meeting continues this week with Dr. W. T. Lowrey doing the preaching. The interest is good and a number have made professions of faith.

B. G. LOWREY.

Blue Mountain, Miss., Dec. 4th, 1902.

From Evangelistic Field.

At home in West Point resting by a change of work—mornings with my books, afternoons as "outsider man." From March to December I have been engaged unceasingly in revival work. Had fourteen more calls that could not be accepted. The Lord has been gracious, the people generous. They were not trusted in vain for a living for self and family. But this is my reward: The consciousness that more preaching has been done and good accomplished than during any year of the eighteen in the pastorate.

Three objects were every in view: The spiritual uplifting of all Christians, the enlargement of all departments of church work and the salvation of the lost. We neither perverted nor neglected the gospel of Christ. The grace of God as the efficient cause, the obedience and sufferings of Christ as the meritorious cause and faith as the instrumental means unto salvation

were preached with all sincerity. The Holy Spirit was joyfully recognized and believed in as the convicting and regenerating agency in view of the truth as it is in Jesus. Unconverted sinners heard of God's wrath against ungodliness; convicted sinners were offered present and perfect salvation through faith in Jesus as Savior and Lord, trembling saints were exhorted to enter upon "perfect peace" by claiming and obtaining their full rights and privileges in Christ. The results are of God.

The pastors with whom I have served I love as fellow-workers. My greatly enlarged appreciation is here recorded in memory of those who entertained me and of all who made willing offerings toward my support. Will be ready as the Lord wills for work in 1903.

E. B. MILLER.

West Point, December, 1702.

Notice.

The building committee of the Wall Street Baptist Church hereby give notice, that owing to their failure to secure sufficient money to begin the erection of a new church building, they have been instructed by the church to use the funds on hand in remodeling and improving the old church building and to return to any one, desiring it, the amount he or she has contributed for the new building, provided application for the same be made within thirty days from the date of this notice.

T. W. PARTRIDGE, Chr. Com.
November 10, 1902.

The American Baptist Publication Society, conscious of the fact that there is some dissatisfaction with the International System of Sunday-school lessons, and anxious to meet the needs of its constituency, has made arrangements with the Bible Union Study Company, of Boston, Mass., by which it is able to offer to all Baptist schools desiring something different from the International System, the Blakeslee Bible Studies. These have been written for the most part by Baptists and are the best alternatives to the International Lessons now to be had. Sunday-schools wishing to try them will please send their orders to 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, or to the nearest Branch of the Society.

Affliction.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY—The hand of affliction fell heavily upon my charges. In less than one month, two noble women in the prime of life have fallen. Sister Nannie Mayfield, wife of Jessie Mayfield, member of Liberty Church, died on the 11th day of November, leaving a husband, mother and five children to mourn her loss.

Sister Mary Winstead, daughter of Rev. C. A. Burnham, wife of Joseph Winstead, laid down this life after several weeks of suffering. She leaves father, mother, two brothers, two sisters, husband, and five little children. We all mourn her loss, in church, community, and family.

May the God of all grace sustain those that are left.

Yours truly,

T. J. MILEY, Pastor.

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Facts of History.

BY J. B. SEARCY.

I appreciated highly the elegant Thanksgiving proclamation made by our noble Governor Longino. But I was mortified in the extreme in the historical blunder he made in the following language: "With hearts and minds burning with patriotism and philanthropy and dedicated to His service, Pilgrim Fathers planted at Plymouth in 1620, the germ of civil and religious liberty from which under God's power, has grown, this—the American Republic—the most powerful government known to the world."

This is a high claim for the Pilgrim Fathers, and if it is true, I am willing for them to own the honors. But I ask is it true that the Pilgrim Fathers planted the germ of civil and religious liberty from whence our great American Republic has grown?

I claim that the facts of history are against this assumption. The evidence in support of my claim are so abundant I hardly know which to introduce in this article. I claim that the idea of the Plymouth Colony was wrong in regard to both civil, and religious liberty, and was as different from the first idea of our American Republic as day is from night. Their government was a union of church and State which is destructive alike to both civil and religious liberty. Of this colony President Styles wrote in 1783, "It is certain that civil dominion was but the second motive, religion, the primary one with our ancestors coming hither and settling this land."

It was not so much their desire to establish religion for the benefit of the State as civil government for the benefit of religion. John Cotton says of this colony: "By the patent certain select men as magistrates free men have power to make laws, and the magistrates to execute justice and judgment amongst the people according to such laws. By the patent we have power to erect such a government of the church as is most agreeable to the Word, to the

estate of the people, and to the gaining of the natives, in God's time, first to civility and then to Christianity." This germ planted by the Pilgrim Fathers was not the germ of "civil and religious liberty," but a persecution under the power of the State. Nearly fifteen years this "germ" sprang up and bore its fruit in the banishment of Roger Williams from the Colony. In Oct. 1635, the following charges were brought against him: "Whereas Mr Roger Williams, one of the elders of the church at Salem, hath broached and divulged, divers new and dangerous opinions against the authority of the magistrates as also writ letters of defamation, both of the magistrates and churches, and that before any conviction, and yet maintaineth the same without retraction. It is therefore ordered that the said Mr. Williams shall depart out of this jurisdiction within six weeks, now next ensuing, which if he neglect to perform, it shall be lawful for the government and two of the magistrates to send him to some place out of this jurisdiction not to return any more without license of the court."

Mr. Williams himself explains his letters of defamation of the magistrates, he says: "The point is that of civil magistrates dealing in matters of conscience and religion, as also of prosecuting and hunting any for any matter merely spiritual and religious." This is downright persecution for conscience sake. But 31 years after the planting of this colony we find more fruit. Was it civil and religious liberty of the American Republican type of today? Nay, verily. It was bitter persecution of Baptist preachers for holding and teaching what we hold and teach today. On September 6th, 1651, Dr. John Clark, James Crandall and Obadiah Holmes were arrested. Dr. Clark was fined £20, Holmes £30, and Crandall £5. These were all educated and prominent Baptists. They refused to pay the fines. Friends without their request interposed and paid the fines of Dr. Clark and Crandall. But Obadiah Holmes steadfastly refused to allow his fine to be paid saying it involved a principle which he could not concede. Here is a copy of the charges brought against them:

"For being taken by the constable at a private meeting at Lin, upon the Lord's day, exercising among themselves to whom diverse of the town rejoiced and joined with them and that in time of public exercise of the worship of God, as also for offensively disturbing the peace of the congregation at their coming into the public meeting in the time of prayer in the afternoon, and for saying and manifesting that the church in Lin was not constituted according to the order of our Lord. And for suspicion of their having their hands in re baptizing of one or more." This was their great offense of which all Baptists in this broad land are guilty. What was Mr. Holmes punishment? Why, he was stripped to the waistband, whipped with thirty hard lashes—three times the executioner laid down the whip—to spit in his hand, that he might lay on harder blows.

The blood flowed down the body and into the shoes of Mr. Holmes. This is the fruit of the germ of civil and religious liberty planted by the Pilgrim Fathers.

In view of these historic facts will not our noble governor correct his historic blunder?

The Seminary Course of Sunday School Lectures.

The second annual series of Sunday School Lectures of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Dec. 9-12, closed last night. As was advertised, the lectures were delivered by Dr. A. F. Schaffler, the eminent divine and practical Sunday School worker, who is vice-president of the City Mission and Tract Society of New York City. Dr. Schaffler has written several helpful books on Sunday School work—"Ways of Working," and "The Teacher, the Child, and the Book," being possibly the best known.

The subjects discussed by him were, "What we teach," "How to teach," "Whom we teach," "Why we teach," and "Adjuncts to all this."

The discussions were to the point, plain, and practical, and the delightful style of the speaker made them very inspiring, as well as helpful.

In spite of the cold rainy weather, the crowds were so large that the audience room in Norton Hall was not large enough, so the last two were held in the First Presbyterian Church, near by.

In connection with the Seminary Lectures, the Secretary of the Kentucky Sunday School Association, Mr. E. A. Fox, with wise foresight, arranged for a Sunday School Institute, in the mornings and afternoons. The leaders were, Dr. Schaffler, of New York; B. W. Spilman, of the Baptist Sunday School Board; Marion Lawrence of the International Committee, assisted by speakers from Louisville, among whom were Dr. Mullins and Dr. Sampey, of the Seminary.

It was the opinion of those present that the program could not be improved upon. The discussions were of the highest order—practical, inspirational, and spiritual.

Our Seminary enjoys the distinction of being the pioneer in this phase of Sunday School work, made possible, as it is, by the Sunday School Board at Nashville.

10 States beside Kentucky were represented—not by Seminary students, but by visitors especially to attend the Lectures and the Institute.

At the close of the Institute, Dr. Mullins proposed to give the movement practical value and permanence by having a committee to arrange for an Institute, each year, in connection with the Seminary Lectures; also, to arrange, if practicable, to follow these with a Sunday School Teachers' Normal Training Course, of two weeks or a month.

This proposition was decidedly epoch-making. It was the opinion of Dr. Schaffler, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Trumbull, of the Sunday School Times, and others who spoke, that this would prove a three-fold

cord not easily broken; that it was the launching of a movement second only to the inauguration of the International Lesson System, and would revolutionize Sunday School methods—especially in the Southern States.

On the afternoon of Dec. 10, in the study of Dr. J. R. Sampey, there was organized the Southern Baptist Sunday School Workers' Association. There were present as charter members—Dr. J. R. Sampey, of the Seminary; B. W. Spilman, of the Sunday School Board; M. Inlaw, of Sunday School Board; H. Beauchamp, State Secretary of Arkansas; and L. P. Leavell, of Mississippi.

Dr. Sampey was elected president; B. W. Spilman, secretary and treasurer. Dr. Frost and Dr. Van Ness and several others who are giving all their time to Sunday School work, were elected to membership. We adjourned subject to call of the secretary and proceeded to "The American," where we enjoyed the first banquet of the Association.

L. P. LEAVELL.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 12, 1902.

Some Meetings.

After being delayed for some time on account of business with my churches and other things, I will send in the report of my meetings. I commenced with Montavista Church third Sunday in July. Had good revival in church and baptized three.

The fourth Sunday in July at Pleasant Grove. Baptized one. First Sunday in August at Arbor Grove. Baptized two, received six by letter. At Weeks' Forest the second Sunday in August. Baptized eleven. At Buckie Hill fourth Sunday in August. Baptized one. At Enon second Sunday in September. Baptized twenty. I also baptized 15 for Pine Bluff Church, making in all 52.

I am well pleased with my year's work. I thank God and take courage. The contributions have been very good, by some of the churches. I would love to get my churches to support a missionary besides our home contributions. We can do it if we will.

My work another year will be Arbor Grove, Pleasant Grove, Cumberland and Hohenlinden, four good churches made up of some of the best people in the State of Mississippi. Pleasant Grove is the church where Senator N. B. Crawford's membership is. He is a man of sterling worth. He is not only a good statesman, but he is a success everywhere. He is good at home, in his community and town; even the little children and all classes love and respect him. I don't see how his church would do without him. I have never preached to a church where a man took more interest in his pastor. He prays for him, encourages him, and looks after his financial interest, and when the pastor is absent he will take hold and conduct services and it is always to the satisfaction of the congregation.

Fraternally yours,

J. F. MITCHELL.

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FORD'S CHRISTIAN REPOSITORY for December is on our table. The contents are: The Lord's People (Frontispiece); The Seven Promises to the Victors in the Seven Churches. S. H. F.; Sunshine in the Heart (Poem), S. H. Ford; How can a Sinner Stand Justified in God's Sight. S. H. F.; Gladness in Gloom. S. H. F.; Romanism v. Christianity, Kirwin; The Great Preacher—The Qualities that Make Him—Reflections Suggested on Hearing Dr. Joseph Parker in His London Pulpit, Rev. Clandis Clear, D. D.; Jesus the Jew, and Other Addresses, Harris Weinstock; Justification by Faith, W. Jas. Robinson. Notes on Texts: "Ecce Homo," S. H. F.; John 10:11; Psa. 122:1; Hugh F. Oliver (Illustration). THE HOME CIRCLE: Along the Wee-Nee's Banks; One Less, S. H. F.; James Lowell; or Charac'er versus Reputation, Sallie Rochester Ford. Editorial. Address Ford's Repository, St. Louis, Mo.

"What Would Jesus Do?"

Have you read it? We mean have you read "In His Steps," or "What would Jesus do?" It is well worth reading.

Now we wish to ask a question. If Jesus was editing a county newspaper, especially in a dry county, would He insert whisky advertisements just for the money there is in it? In the dry counties, the people have spoken and why don't these papers voice the majority by refusing to insert such "ads" that bribe "the stuff" in our midst. Does THE BAPTIST think such papers as refuse these "ads" will lose anything in this life? Speak out brother!

H. A. J.

[We do not.—Ed.]

Announcement.

Beginning with January I will be available for protracted meeting work for at least half of my time. I should be glad to correspond with churches and pastors desiring help. I do not expect to confine myself exclusively to Mississippi, but will hold myself in readiness to labor wherever the Lord may open the way.

Fraternally,

J. N. McMILLIN.

State Prohibition.—Call for Mass Meeting.

To the Friends of Prohibition:

A mass meeting of the Prohibitionists of Mississippi, who favor the passage of a law by the next Legislature to prohibit the manufacture, sale and importation, for beverage purposes, of all alcoholic liquors throughout the State, is hereby called at the State Capitol in Jackson, on Tuesday, the 17th day of February, 1903, at 11 o'clock a. m., to organize for the accomplishment of this object.

It is believed by the signers of this call, and thousands of others that the time is ripe for an aggressive, decisive movement along this line. For more than twenty years the soundness of the principle of Prohibition has been embodied in the liquor laws of the State and approved by Democratic Governors and Legislatures, with only certain qualifying conditions, such as local option, exercised by petition or a direct ballot. By this means and statutory Prohibition in small area, 63 of the 75 counties of the State stand today redeemed from the debauching influence of the legalized dram shop. It has been outlawed in those counties by the votes of the people themselves, whose representatives have gone to Jackson and voted for its perpetuation in other counties. On the Mobile & Ohio Railroad along the eastern border of the State, not a licensed dram shop is to be found, from the Alabama line on the south, to the Tennessee line on the north. Along the entire main line of the great Illinois Central from the Tennessee line on the north to the Louisiana border on the south, but one licensed town is traversed: On the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley branch, from Jackson to its northern terminus, and along the Aberdeen branch extending easterly through the central portion of the State from Durant to Aberdeen, not an open dramshop exists; while across the State via the Georgia Pacific, from the Alabama line far into the Delta, and via the Alabama Great Southern from the Alabama line across the State to Vicksburg; along the Northeastern from the Louisiana to the Alabama line in Southeast Mississippi, and again from Jackson along the Gulf & Ship Island to Harrison county, the same condition prevails. Only in 12 counties in the entire State—three on our gulf coast, one in Central Mississippi,

and the rest scattered through the Delta and along our Mississippi River border—does the dramshop exist by sanction of State law.

This has been practically the situation for a decade. In these counties the traffic has become fortified behind a perverted and misguided local public sentiment, backed by the money and active sympathy of the whisky interests beyond the State, whenever a mere local effort is made to dislodge it. In these counties the dramshops continue as so many plague spots, poisoning the moral and political atmosphere about them; and by plying their boldly advertised and vicious "jug trade," spread the evil contagion to the dry counties beyond. In every local option contest, whether brought on by Prohibitionists or dramshop advocates, the brunt of the fight against the combined liquor interests nearly always falls upon the Ministry and the consecrated Christian women of our State who are thus brought into a hand to hand contest with the worst elements of society of both races, marshalled under the red banner of the dramshop. The strange anomaly is often presented of white men, who will not tolerate the negro at the ballot box under any other circumstances, exerting every effort to get him registered and standing shoulder to shoulder with him at the polls for the liquor traffic against the best men and women of the community.

So much without referring to the palpable—wrong and inconsistency of the State's longer continuing as a conditional partner in a confessedly immoral and nefarious business. For a money consideration, the State licenses the dramshop. Thereby she adopts that institution as her own, protects and dignifies it with her authority and laws, and really becomes a copartner in the business, since she receives a liberal share of the profits. But for what purpose is the dramshop set up? Simply and solely that the citizen may go there and get alcoholic drinks. Then, when he has taken those drinks until his reason is dethroned, temporarily, he commits murder; and the same good State, which has put the dramshop there that he may drink, turns right about and hangs him for the murder. To maintain her respectability and consistency, let the good State of Mississippi either cease to make criminals or cease to punish them.

It is notorious that alcoholic drink is the greatest of all incitants to crime and one of the greatest demoralizers and disorganizers of labor. In a State with such an immense negro population as ours, it should especially concern our statesmen and all other thoughtful citizens to remove, as far and effectually as possible, this crime and sloth-producing traffic. The thought expressed by England's great statesmen of the last century should become the sentiment and policy of Mississippi, viz: That the State should make it as easy as possible for her citizens to do right and as difficult as possible for them to do wrong.

The hour has struck when we should go forward and renounce forever the alliance which has hitherto existed between the State and the dram shop. Any time within the last dozen years prohibitionists of Mississippi, had they been united on plans and policy, could have achieved such a result. For them to neglect or fail to do so with the opportunity now before them, would be a stupendous mistake. Next year, for the first time in the history of the State, nominations for every elective office in Mississippi are to be made directly by the people themselves in a primary election, with all the safeguards thrown around the primary which apply at a regular election. None will be allowed to participate in the Democratic party primary but white qualified electors—persons who have complied with the conditions of Mississippi's high standard elective franchise laws—thus assuring an electorate of the people which should be the very cream of the State's citizenship. Nominations by the Democratic party primaries will be tantamount to an election at the regular election to follow. If, therefore, prohibitionists, ninety-nine one-hundredths of whom are Democrats, will come together, organize and resolve to make this question an issue in the primary for nominating a Governor and Legislators, victory will be assured. And, if due care is exercised in nominating minor executive officers throughout the State, no fear need be entertained that a carefully drawn State Prohibition law will be enforced. Officers thus nominated and elected, backed by Mississippi's able and incorruptible judiciary, would reduce the "blind tiger" nuisance (always exaggerated by those wishing to bring Prohibition

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All friends of prohibition who are willing to unite with us in such a movement are earnestly and cordially invited to meet in Jackson on the above named date. It is desired that every county in Mississippi be represented.

(Signed)

John D. Bills, of Alcorn.
W. T. Adams, of Alcorn.
G. T. Hammerly, of Tishomingo.
B. G. Lowrey, of Tippah.
R. G. Porter, of Lafayette.
T. M. Kemp, of Lafayette.
R. M. Leavell, of Lafayette.
Gaston L. Jones, of Union.
M. H. Armor, of Lowndes.

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- 35c Furniture 25c.
- 50c Blackboards now 35c.
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W. F. PRICE, EDITOR.

Home Readings.

Monday 22. The third tour and sending out of the twelve. Matthew 9:35-10:13. (Parallels: Mark 6:6b-11; Luke 9:1-5.) Compare Luke 10:2. A.

Tuesday 23. Direct charge to the twelve. Matthew 10:16-33. Compare John 13:16.

Wednesday 24. Further specifications to the twelve. Matthew 10:34-41:1. (Parallels: Mark 6:12,13; Luke 9:6.) Compare John 12:20.

Thursday 25. Death of John the Baptist. Mark 6:14-29. (Parallels: Matthew 14:1-2; Luke 9:7-9. Compare Matthew 21:26.

Friday 26. Feeding the five thousand. Mark 6:30-46. (Parallels: Matthew 14:13-21; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-15.) Compare Mark 8:2-9.

Saturday 27. Jesus walking on the water. Mark 6:47-56. (Parallels: Matthew 14:24-36; John 6:16-21. Compare Matthew 9:2.

Sunday 28. Conquest of meeting. Our Missions in Western China. Alternate Topic: Our Heavenly Home and the Way. John 14:1-6; Revelation 21:1-4; 22:1-5, 17. Sunday-school Lesson Review.

—If you organize a Union or a Christian Culture class, write it to this department. Do send the news.

—The time was some unions reported their meetings almost every month. When anything good happens do that again.

—In other States they are having district "Winter Bible Schools" for two or three days or longer, why could we not have them in Mississippi?

—A boy, girl, man or woman at Sunday-school, or a B. V. P. U. without a Bible, is pretty much like a soldier in battle without a gun. Take your Bible with you when you go to either of these.

—The Chicago Baptist Social Union had a delightful banquet last week, which they called "Young People's Night," addresses being delivered by Prof. Clark of the Northwestern University on "What ought We to Read?" and by Secretary Calley on "Elements of Power in Christian Service."

—At B. V. P. U. headquarters they are making an effort to get a complete registration of all the unions in the United States. When you receive their card be sure and fill it out and return at Mississippi. There have been over one hundred unions in the State and ought to be more than that many now. Let's get full and complete statistics—it is information very much needed.

—Mrs. J. H. Price of Magnolia,

attended her first B. V. P. U. Convention at Oxford. She went home and organized a Junior Union that already has an enrollment of 36. They are taking the Bible Readers' Course now; and at the coming of the new year will add Sacred Literature (by that prince of good writers for children and grown folks too, Dr. Chivers) and Conquest Missionary Work too. Master Haynes Lea is president, May Brily vice president, George Leggett secretary and treasurer, and Mirion Thigpen organizer. This is the banner junior union in the State so far. But what is here done can be done in one thousand other church in Mississippi in one day. Will it be done?

An Endorsement.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY:—I want to say Amen to Bro. Spole's article on enlarging the pastor's salary. There are so many pastors that are working for so little, that are having to do so many other things for a living, to educate their children, and to buy their books, that they so much need in their work. Just a little increase from each member would help the overworked pastor so that he could move on.

Not long since resigned the pastoral care of a church, when everything seemed to be on the up-grade, we had built a new house and doubled the membership or about it, in four years, had taken in a great many members who were able to help with the finances of the church, but there was no increase of the salary which was small. There being no friction between me and the church or any members of the church, some of the brethren asked me why I had done this and I told them I had to go where I could get more for my work suits our pockets.

Not long since I attended an association where considerable interest was taken in the discussion of the subject of pastoral support. Many good things were said and the feelings of thinking men and women were aroused and before the meeting adjourned one of these arose and in a sermon he tried to throw cold water on everything that had been said and done. A thing I thought very unjust, had he been right, for he had gotten himself where no replies could be made. It reminded me of one of my playmates who used to when at my home insult me and then run across his father's land line and tell me that the law would ruin

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Deaths.

[Death notices of 100 words and marriage notices of 25 are printed free; all over, cost one cent per word, which must accompany copy of notice.]

Mrs. L. M. Posey.

Sister L. M. Posey, wife of L. D. Posey, Sr., Lincoln county, Miss., and mother of Elder L. D. Posey, Mt. Carmel, Miss., died December 13, 1902. For 39 years an earnest, faithful Christian. It was her mission to oppose evil of every kind and stand firm for the cause of righteousness. Those that knew her best loved her most. She leaves a husband, eight children, fifty-four grand children and twenty great-grand-children living. A large congregation were present at New Prospect Church on last Sunday to show and express their sympathies. The writer conducted the funeral services. Then the body was placed in the church cemetery to wait the resurrection. May the God of all grace comfort the bereaved and help them to live as upright and devoted as did dear Sister Posey.

R. J. BOOSE.

Pool.

Martha Ann Pool was born in North Carolina in the year 1850. Soon after moving to Mississippi near Sharon in Madison county, she became a Christian in early youth. She was married to J. S. Pool in 1887. She died May 17, 1901 at the age of 31 years. At her death she was a member of Harpersville church. Sister Pool was a noble woman. As a wife, friend and neighbor, she approximated perfection. To a very notable degree she was sympathetic and helpful to persons bereaved or sick. She was consistent in her Christian life and died in the full assurance of faith.

Her Pastor.

T. J. MOORE.

'Tis hard to break the tender cord
When love has bound the heart—
'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the word
We must forever part
Dearest loved one we must lay thee
In the peaceful grave's embrace
But thy memory will be cherished
'Till we see thy heavenly face.

HUSBAND.

Mrs. Ella Brock Thompson.

Ella, daughter of Wm. F. and Cynthia Brock, was born in Pike county, Mississippi, March 27, 1877; was married to Joseph L. Thompson, November 27, 1899; died November 29, 1902.

The writer first knew her as one of his pupils in one of the public schools of Pike county, a bright, happy-hearted school girl of eleven summers. When the session closed our pathways diverged to cross again in our Capital City where she spent the last two years of her brief life. We shall meet no more on life's highway. The pupil has gotten the start of her teacher and won her diploma from life's school first. When we meet again, we believe, it shall be in that "City, whose builder and maker is God."

Her life was short according to our standards of measuring time, but the divine and human standards vary greatly. God measures life by intensive, rather than extensive, standards.

"He most lives

Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

Her last illness extended through months of intense physical suffering. As she patiently drank the bitter cup to its dregs she seemed to realize that "the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us." The hope of glory sustained her in the darkness of the valley. When thirteen years of age she gave her heart to Christ and was baptized into the fellowship of the Bogue Chitto Baptist Church, Louisiana. Having followed her Savior from childhood it was gain for her to depart and be with him. Through the quarter of a century during which she lived on earth, it was given her to wear the crown of womanhood, by faithfully filling the place of daughter, sister, wife, mother. In the old home and in the new, loved ones survive her. Their loss is great; her gain is greater. May the God of all grace comfort these, and especially bless the lonely young husband the motherless boy of two years who will never fully realize his loss.

W. F. T.

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Croom—Williams.

Mr. Thomas L. Croom and Miss Mary C. Williams were united in marriage in First Baptist Church, Grenada, Miss., at 4 p. m., December 3, 1902. Rev. J. B. Gambrell, of Dallas, Texas, officiating. The beautiful ring ceremony was used. Rev. J. H. Gambrell, of Tyler, Texas, gave the bride away. The church decorations were unique and elaborate. The music was rendered by Mrs. Carrie S. Roberts and Miss Whittaker, violinist. Attendants, Miss Madye Leavell, of Pontotoc, and Mr. Edward Smith; Miss Antoinette Bonavita, of Memphis, and Mr. Jno. Keeton. Matrons, Mesdames B. C. Edwards and Annie G. Williams. Ushers, Messrs. Kimbrough, Perry, Paul and Charley Williams.

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[All communications for this department should be sent to Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Clinton, Miss., who conducts the Woman's Page.]

Program.

December, 1902.

Subject—China.

MEMORY THOUGHT—"No church bound up in itself can prosper. It is like the Dead Sea which all the waters of the Jordan cannot sweeten because it has no outlet."

1. SELECTED HYMNS—Music is an important factor in an Ideal Meeting. Interesting facts: At the baptism of Carey's first convert (Krishna Pal) the hymn sung was "Jesus and shall it ever be, a mortal man-ashamed of Thee." In 1862 a wondrous event occurred in the South Sea islands, the turning of 5,000 natives from heathenism to Christianity. On this occasion the hymn sung was "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive," etc.

2. PRAISE for the gift of God's Son, for the progress of His Kingdom.

3. LIGHT FOR THE WORLD—1 John 1:5; Genesis 1:3; Psalms 36:9; John 8:12; Matthew 5:14; Ephesians 5:8; 2 Corinthians 4:6; Isaiah 60:1-2; Daniel 12:3.

4. FLASH LIGHTS OF CHINA—Furnished by different members, each reading one division of the leaflet, "China as a Mission Field," by Rev. E. Z. Simmons.

5. HYMN—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name.

6. LEAFLET—"The Women of China," by Adele Fielde.

7. CHAIN OF PRAYER for the work in China, with thanksgiving for 484 baptisms by our missionaries last year, and 26 new missionaries appointed.

8. BUSINESS, Collection, etc.

9. ARRANGE FOR OBSERVANCE OF THE WEEK OF PRAYER—Christmas offering of last year, \$6,088.17; this year \$8,000 is asked. If each will give "as God hath prospered," it will easily be raised. Send to State Central Committee for Christmas literature.

10. IN CLOSING read Psalm 84 in concert.

The Beautiful Soul.

There is beauty in nature, and beauty in art.

And beauties of heaven foretold;
But the most beautiful sight that my eyes e'er beheld,

Is the light of a beautiful soul.

The eyes are the windows of the soul, so it is said:

And when the temple is cleansed from all sin,

The light from those windows will show to the world that Jesus is living within.

How often those windows are darkened with sin,

And never reflect a bright hue.

Until Jesus uplifts the dark curtains and blinds!

Then heaven's pure light will shine through.

The bright, beaming face then reflects the glad light,

And scatters the sunshine around;
And many bright jewels so long lost in sin,

By this radiant light have been found!

No sweeter melody can my heart wish to hear,

As I journey towards the bright goal,
Than the sweet, sacred words of "Wonderful Peace."

From the depths of a beautiful soul.

(Mrs.) C. B. BURTON.
Hazelhurst, Miss., Nov. 7th, 1902.

To the Women of Columbus Association.

DEAR SISTERS:

I went up to Columbus a few days ago to attend the Sunday School Institute, and the first thing my sisters did was to pounce me for not making their report at Macon. I am a member there. I made report for Mt. Zion and expected dear Sister Kemp to tell of the good things Armstrong Society does, but she was very sick. The ladies tell me their society is on a boom. They will pack a box soon, and have plenty of work to do.

Report for quarter is \$8.75. Their social and spiritual condition is good. I would love so much to get a letter from some member of each society every quarter. You see we have no report in THE BAPTIST this quarter. I was so disappointed after our meeting in Macon. I do want so much to be of service to the churches, especially those who have a society. Dear sisters, I belong to a country society and know all the difficulties, but can we not have a mite box and read the mission literature, and be in touch with the work? I pray for the work every day and love the sisters more and more.

Pray for me. In our gatherings let us not forget our words of exhortation in Macon, to make our meeting spiritual. How delightful to meet for praise and prayer.

"For the blessed Master's sake,
Let us do our best, our very best;
Do what you can, being what you are,
Shine as a glow worm if you can't as a star."

Yours in Christian love,

J. HELEN ELLIS, V. P.
Dunbar, Miss., Nov. 7, 1902.

Frontier Mission Box.

At the request of our vice-president, Miss Kate Futch, we were represented at the Box Packing in Raymond, October 25th, the following churches contributing: Salem, Brownsville, Learned, Oakley, Chapel Hill, Mississippi Springs, Terry, Palestine, Raymond and Utica.

After a bountiful dinner de-

lightfully served by the ladies of the church, around which gathered that faithful band of workers, as one sweet family, a large box was brought in and filled with warm, durable clothing for each member of the missionary's family, consisting of Rev. E. T. Watson, wife and five children.

Such an array of articles, from overcoat, hats, suits, dresses, yards and yards of dry goods, shoes for each, stockings, ties, books, quilts, drugs, toys, etc., to the dainty garments for little Minnie, the youngest of the flock of five.

A beautiful feature of the gathering was the Raymond Sunday School children and their contribution, a well filled work basket. Who can measure the influence on these young lives of thus enlisting their gifts for the Master's cause. May they early in life learn to say with Dr. Carey, "My business is to extend the Kingdom of God."

There were two boxes sent from "C. A.," thereby doubling the work undertaken last year.

The only regret expressed was that societies who did so much by their liberal contributions to make the box a success, did not send representatives. Sisters, unless we cooperate with and pray for our vice president in this great work, much of her labor will necessarily be in vain.

Let us at the first of this associational year plan for the greatest year of our lives, willing to "spend and be spent" in the Master's cause.

Sincerely yours in the work,
MRS. O. D. BOLLS.
Utica, Dec. 15, 1902.

An Highway For Our God.

Amid all the unrest and rumored changes in China the progress of railway construction goes steadily on. At the beginning of this year 100 miles of the Shantung Railway had been completed; 540 miles of the Imperial Railway of North China; The Shang-hai-Woosung railway, 11 miles long; the Lu-Han railway, running out from Peking to Chengkingfu, 160 miles; and

the Great Central China Railway has been completed from Hankow, on the Yangtse River, 100 miles northward toward Peking. Thus there are now completed in China 900 miles of railway.—Missionary Review.

China Sleeps No More.

She is awake at last and thirsts for knowledge, and she will draw that knowledge out of the turbid well unless the Christian church gives it to her. Had the church taken note of the opportunity it would have been an easy thing, 3 or 4 years ago, to have flooded the Chinese Empire with Christian literature. This literature would certainly have been read, and might, with God's blessing, have brought forth wonderful results. We shall probably never have such an opportunity again, but we will at least humbly accept the teaching of the past, and dispose ourselves to seize the opportunity which God in His compassion may grant us. Would that every reader might take part in this work, and as has been said by a veteran of the China mission field, "Stand in the foremost rank of one of the greatest movements which the world has ever seen!"—Missionary Review.

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Since Chief Moore issued his order, a number of Chicago business houses have pursued the same course. The board of education does not permit cigarette smoking in its office; Montgomery Ward & Co., will not employ boys addicted to the use of cigarettes; by monthly lectures, on the evils of cigarette smoking, are provided by Marshall Field & Co., for the benefit of their employees; the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company has notified its employees that they must abandon cigarettes or forfeit their positions; several establishments have opened their doors to lecturers connected with the Anti-Cigarette League: The United States Supreme Court has declared the Chicago anti-cigarette law valid. Arkansas has an anti-cigarette bill which makes the sale or giving away of cigarettes to any person, under any circumstances, a misdemeanor, punishable by fine. That the civil service commission, of New York City, purpose, to rid itself of "several hundred juvenile cigarette fiends," and substitute "office girls" is another straw that shows which way the wind blows.

The Anti-Cigarette League, with headquarters in the Woman's Temple, Chicago, is vigorously waging war against the cigarette. It is after the boys and to further its work, publishes a bright little paper entitled *The Boy*. School teachers are loud in their denunciations of the cigarette; their positions enable them to observe its effects,

and they have noted its viciousness. Many are assisting the League in its work, and have secured from boys under their care, pledges that they will not smoke cigarettes before they are of age. Antagonism to the cigarette is constantly increasing in force, and it is to be hoped that the earth will not have passed many mile-stones in the new century before the deadly "coffin nail" is relegated to obscurity.—Young People.

Those Who Drank are Dead.

The result of observation by Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, president of the New York Central Railroad Company, in a talk to railroad men:

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Some of them became clerks, merchants, manufacturers, lawyers, doctors. It is remarkable that every one of those who drank is dead, not one living of my age. Barring a few, who were taken off by sickness, every one that proved a wreck and wrecked his family did it from rum and no other cause.

"Of these who are church-going people, who are steady, industrious, hard-working men, who were frugal and thrifty, every single one of them, without an exception, owns the house in which he lives and has something laid by, the interest on which, with his house, would carry him through many a rainy day. When a man becomes debased with gambling or drink he doesn't care—all his feelings are crowded out."

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Personal.

—Rev. W. E. Ellis has been called to the Crystal Springs church.

—Rev. James G. Sibley, late of Mississippi, is now in the pastorate at Mountain Home, Ark.

—There are twenty books that we know of now extant on the work of the Holy Spirit.

—New Orleans now has the "Jim Crow" street car law which requires separate coaches for the white and colored passengers.

—Our contemporary the Biblica Recorder, said some plain and strong things last week against the notion that baptism is not essential to church membership.

—Sister M. E. Williamson, wife of Judge R. W. Williamson, of Greewood, died at her home on the 10th inst., of heart failure. She was one of the most estimable of women.

—There are now being published more than 100 books per month in the United States, and some of them in editions running into the hundreds of thousands. Surely "to the making of books there is no end."

Rev. Charles F. James, president of Roanoke College, died at his home in Danville, Va., on Dec. 5th. He had done a fine work as pastor, teacher and author. He was stricken with paralysis and died in two days.

—Rev. W. H. Wilburn, the blind chaplain of the United States Senate, after a tenure of 57 years, has, on account of ill health, tendered his resignation. He has been in this position since 1845, being now 80 years old.

—Says It's Too Hot.—The Polar Bear at The Rookery Zoo says this weather is awfully trying on him. He performs so naturally that it is hard for little boys and girls to believe he is only a mechanical toy in a cage. Read The Rookery advertisement today and be happy.

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—Harris Bus. College, Jackson, Mississippi, secures a greater per cent. of its students good positions, than any other business college. Why don't you take a course with them, and let them start you at \$50.00 or \$60.00 per month? They have had, during the past few months, thirty-nine applications for bookkeepers and stenographers, they could not supply; salary from \$40.00 to \$75.00 per month. Recently, twenty-one of their students secured good positions in ten days.

"Sacrifice Is the Essence."

The "essence" of a thing is its "formative nature"—its "distinctive character." The "formative nature" and "distinctive character" of "Christian giving" is "sacrifice."

Bro. Cooper said, in substance at Fifth Sunday meeting: "Mr. D. has houses and lands, mules and cattle and hogs. To give the 'widow's mite,' he must part with them all—give everything." This is why the widow outgave those rich Jews.

Mr. Arthington has given four

millions to missions. If this is his all, he has given the "widow's mite" and like her, receives her commendation. Christ expects sacrifice. He said: "If any man will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

"Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head." He virtually says: "If you go with me, you may count on hardness." "Endure hardness as good soldiers." And then when He calls us to cross the ice with Washington at Trenton, we are crossing over; and when He says, "Go into all the world," we are busy going. The only thing with Carey was to go to India. Native land, Christian civilization and fire-side pleasures cut no figure. He remembered Christ's commendation when the widow put in her "two mites," and Christ's commendation to him stood above rubies.

J. E. PHILLIPS.

A Sad Death.

One of the most distressing deaths that ever cast its gloom over our community, was that of Brother J. W. Armstrong who was instantly killed at his gin by the breaking of a belt which bound him to a whirling shaft. Wednesday, 3rd inst. He was a member of Silver Creek Church, joined in May 1881. He was a kind, faithful and obliging, a Christian gentleman, everybody that knew him was his friend. He left a wife and eleven children to mourn his sad death. Ah! how they shall miss him. A good man gone! But he is now beyond the touch of pain. He can't come to you, dear loved ones, but you can go to him.

He was born Nov. 9th, 1857.

In deepest sympathy,

J. P. WILLIAMS.

Now that the prohis of Jackson are boasting over the recent triumph over the efforts of the more conservative element of that town, who wanted the open saloon, with police regulations and high license, they should rise and explain who it was that furnished the coloring matter for that Jackson snake story.—Laurel Chronicle.

Straws show which way the wind blows.

"Clip" of the Picayune, is authority for the statement that no cigarettes are on sale at either Hickory, Newton, Forest or Brandon. These towns are to be congratulated for the suppression of an unmitigated nuisance."

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